





# **State Route 905**

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

# STATE ROUTE 905 PROJECT – PHASE 1B, SIX-LANE FREEWAY FACT SHEET – JANUARY 2012

### The Project

Work began in July 2009 to construct three miles of six-lane freeway from Britannia Boulevard to east of Interstate 805 in San Diego as the next phase of the State Route 905 Project. This phase – referred to as Phase 1B – is among the first transportation projects in the state to make use of funds from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (Recovery Act). This project's Phase 1A extends from Siempra Viva Road to Britannia Boulevard. The SR-905 Project as a whole runs from the Otay Mesa Port of Entry to I-805.

#### The Need

The project is critical to the flow of goods and services between California and Baja California, Mexico. Total imports and exports between these two trade partners was \$15 billion in 1995, and today it totals more than \$36 billion. Ninety-eight percent of this trade is transported by truck. The California/Baja California Ports of Entry processed more than two million trucks in 2005, and this figure is projected to double by 2020.

# Jobs

Construction of SR-905 Phase 1B will generate jobs for the San Diego Region and California. It will also accommodate the anticipated increase in traffic congestion and help keep California competitive in the world market.

#### Partnership

SR-905 Phase 1B was developed through a partnership between the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG).

## **Project Status**

Phase 1B began construction In July 2009 with completion expected in fall 2012. Phase 1A started construction in April 2008 and opened to traffic in December 2010. Phase 2 is the SR-905/I-805 Interchange Project began construction in April 2011 and is expected to open to traffic in early 2012. The remaining two phases of the project are interchanges and not yet funded or programmed.

# **Project Costs**

SR-905 Phase 1B has a price tag of \$79.7 million, including \$74 million from the Recovery Act, \$4.8 million from Federal Demonstration, and \$900,000 from the SANDAG's TransNet half-cent sales tax. The estimated cost for all phases of the SR-905 project is \$614.2 million.

# Project Schedule

Start Construction (Phase 1B): July 2009 Open to Traffic (Phase 1B): Fall 2012

